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Sir:

Enclosed please find two (2) sheets of formal drawings, including FIGS. 13-21, for the above-captioned patent application. These drawings replace the informal drawings originally filed in this application.

This application has been allowed on August 9, 2006 therefore your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

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